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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Bureau, Come

Appl. No. : 10/539,652

Filed : June 14, 2005

For : APPARATUS AND METHOD

FOR CURVE SAWING OF A

PLANK

Examiner : Lee, Laura Michelle

Group Art Unit : 3724

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

## Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement sent March 22, 2007, Applicant submits the below Response to Restriction Requirement.

The Examiner has required restriction to one of the following groups of claims:

- Claims 1-16, drawn to an apparatus for guiding a plank; and
- Claim 17, drawn to a method for guiding a plank.

In response, Applicant elects, with traverse, Group I (Claims 1-16), drawn to an apparatus for guiding a plank. In addition, Applicant reserves the right to seek rejoinder of claims pertaining to the non-elected subject matter pursuant to M.P.E.P. § 821.04. Additionally, Applicant reserves the right to file continuation, divisional, or continuation-in-part applications to pursue the non-elected subject matter.

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If there are any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below. Please charge any additional fees, including any fees for additional extension of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

Respectfully submitted,

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